including in the nuclear weapons and missile development programme. We have made known our concerns to the Chinese side.

Passport Adalats In Karnataka

3573. SHRI K.C. KONDAIAH: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Passport Adalats have been conducted in Karnataka; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) yes, Sir.

(b) The Bangalore Passport Office held Passport Adalats on every Wednesday between May and August, 1999. As cases were cleared the frequency of the Adalats was reduced to alternate Wednesdays till all the cases were cleared. In December, 1999 an Adalat-cum-passport camp was held at Dharwad and in February, 2000 in Mysore.

Extradition of Militants Released in Exchange of Hijacked Plane

3574. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Ministerof EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made efforts to get hardcore militants back to India who were released in exchange of the passengers of hijacked plane at Kandhar;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what is the reaction from other side in this behalf?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI AJIT KUMAR PANJA): (a) to (c) Following the safe release of all hostages of IC-814, Government raised the matter of the hijacking and the released terrorists with the Government of Pakistan. Pakistan was reminded of its obligations under the Simla Agreement of 1972, according to which it had a legal obligation to prevent the organisation, assistance of encouragement of any acts detrimental to the maintenance of peace and harmonious relations. It